

Zion Christian Church's Board Retreat was held on Saturday, July 21, 2012 at the home of David and Margie Koogler. Breakfast and lunch was provided by the Kooglers and enjoyed by all. Present: Dave Koogler, Marilyn Sumski, Shirley Mills, Nancy Nichols, Carolyn Dickerson, Bobbie Riggan, George Poffenberger, David Benckert and Joan Daniels.

Joan led the group in a short devotion and ended with prayer.

Our Goal: To work together toward one common goal for Zion.

Dave mentioned the website and that it is important to keep Linda Holt informed on updates.

The Mission statement was mentioned. There were four "bullets" mentioned that we should incorporate into the Mission Statement. Those are: being real/authentic, mission/outreach, Christ-like character, and relationship with God. We all felt that the Mission Statement should include the following "Zion Christian Church is a place to be loved, cared for and meet God through worship, study and fellowship". Everyone felt that Zion is a friendly, loving church and we need to build on this.

Bobbie has had three meetings to discuss what the children and parents want. On July 28, 8 of the children will help with the Offering Concert by having a Lemonade Stand and sell cookies of which the proceeds will go to W.H.E.A.T. Focus is to get children involved in helping on Sundays and to keep them coming. There seems to be a consensus that a big screen TV would be advantageous for the children as well as the adults. Also, per the parents, if the children are participating in the worship service, they are more likely to attend worship. Accommodate the young people with music, their kind of music. Teenagers want to see some diversity in their music.

Calendar. We went over the entire church calendar for 2012-2013 making corrections and inserting items.


New Ideas brought forth by the group: Gospel Brunch; Movie/Popcorn Night for Adults; Sunday morning and Sunday evening worship service; small groups to discuss topics of interest and to be held at other locations.

The Property Committee will look into the purchase of a TV to be used by the church to be in place by September.

Dave Koogler mentioned the Needle Eye Ministries where the Minister leads the discussion. We need to mentor all new members. We discussed holding Board Meetings outside the confines of the church and Shirley Mills will coordinate. A Soup Kitchen was discussed and more involvement in W.H.E.A.T. Have sports such as Ladder Golf and Bean Bag Toss available. George Poffenberger will look into the Ladder Golf idea. Evangelism will pursue the idea of a Supper Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Shirley W. Moss, Secretary